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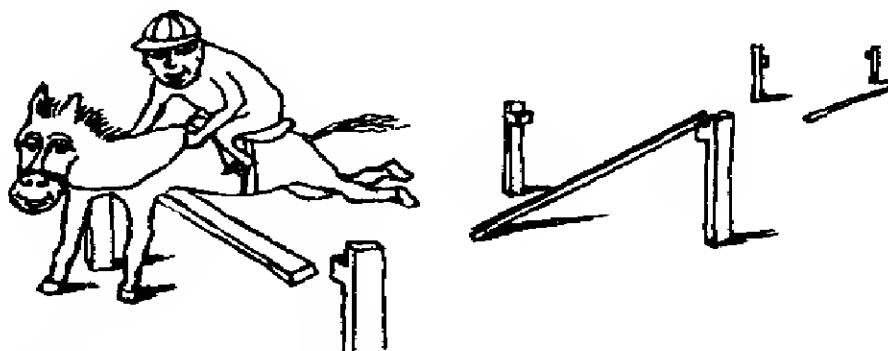
This issue of East of Eden will contain the game results for 1980KJ (V.I.P.) and 1981K (Greed) plus an announcement for 1980HR (War). It had been intended for these to go in Black Frog #46, except for some last minute changes.

Unfortunately, this is going to go out later than I expected. I had hoped to get it into the mail on Saturday the 22nd of August, but didn't finish it to get it to the xerox shop on time on Friday. I will be unable to xerox before Monday the 24th of August and it will get in the mail then.

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IF YOU CAN'T
LEARN TO DO IT WELL,



LEARN TO ENJOY
DOING IT BADLY.

THE FUTURE OF EAST OF EDEN:

The continuation of this publication is in doubt at the moment. I was hoping that the subscription level of Black Frog would drop back down to a more manageable level during September (when quite a few subs expire) and that East of Eden would no longer be needed. Black Frog currently goes to 76 subbers and East of Eden to 35. If the subscription level for BF were to drop below @ 60, it would no longer be of any advantage to distinguish the two and I could go back to publishing for a monthly rate with a variable number of Black Frogs per month. This is what I would like and I have not been encouraging new subs of late. It is hard to speculate, at this moment, what the impact of the Leeder Poll results will be on the sub level this coming winter.

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MIKE CONNER DEPARTMENT:

Armadillos Are Adorable?

Texans now find the slow-footed, dull-witted, uncuddly armadillos suddenly adorable. After years of relative obscurity, the armor-plated creatures are paying the price of the celebrity — crass publicity, commercial exploitation, and personal endangerment from their fans, according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

“It’s almost a cult,” says Stuart Stone, a merchandising executive at Federated Department Stores’ Sanger-Harris unit in Dallas, which sells armadillo-emblazoned dominoes, backgammon sets, and brass reproductions, along with armadillo stuffed toys, games, and T-shirts.

The fad means profits for merchandisers; for armadillos, it’s downright dangerous. Until recently their most traumatic encounter with civilization was with speeding cars. Now they are in growing demand for armadillo races and stuffing by taxidermists. Their skins show up as hats, handbags, sewing baskets, and planters, and a variety of medical research projects that often prove fatal use the armadillo. Armadillos are showing up in local TV commercials. They’re even appearing in tiny chunks on Texans’ dinner tables, most often in the form of chili.

Given a choice, armadillos would no doubt go back to the good old days when they were considered merely pests.

80KJ

V.I.P.

F'04

Bob (Never Say Die) Arnetto stages come-back. But will he have any friends in '05?

AUST (Olsen): A Bud retreat to Vie. A TYO(s)GERMAN A Boh-Mun; A VIE-Gal; A TRI-Bud; A SER(s)TURKISH A Bul-Rum; F Tun searches for lost ark(=h)/dislodged and must retreat Naf, Wes or OTB.
ENGL (Sampson): A Wal-YOR; F Nwn-NTH.
FRAN (Brown) A Gas-BRE; F Mid-ENG; F IRI(s)F Mid-Eng; F LPL(h); A RUH-Hol; A BEL(s)A Ruh-Hol.
GERM (Pilant) F Eng-Bel/d&m r Wal or OTB; F HOL(s)F Eng-Bel; A Boh-MUN; A KIE(s)A Boh-Mun; A LON(h).
ITAL (Mainardi) A Tyo retreat to Pie. A BER-Kie; A Pie-VEN; F ADR(s)F Pie-Ven; A Tyr-TUN; F ION(s)F Tyr-Tun.
RUSS (Wells): F Bar-NWN; F NWY(s)F Bar-Nwn; A Stp-FIN; A RUM(s)TURKISH A Bul-Ser/nso/dislodged & m retreat Ukr or OTB; A BUD(s)TURKISH A Bul-Ser/nso/; A GAL(s)A Bud; A Sev(s)A Rum/d&m r Ukr, Mos or OTB/.
TURK (Arnett): F Aeg-GRE; A Bul-RUM; F BLA(s)A Arm-Sev; A Arm-SEV.

1904 supply center chart:

AUS: Vie, Tri, ~~Bud~~, Ser, ~~Lpl~~ (3) .. remove . 2
ENG: Edi, ~~Lpl~~ (1) remove . 1
FRA: Home, Bel, Spa, Por, LPL (7) ...build . 1
GER: Kie, Hol, Den, Lon, ~~Ber~~, MUN (5) . even
ITA: Home, Tun, ~~Naf~~, BER (5) even
RUS: Mos, War, Stp, ~~Ber~~, ~~Naf~~, BUD, Swe, Nwy ..
..... (6) remove . 1
TUR: Home, Bul, SEV, GRE, RUM (7) .. build . 3

Orders for winter 1904 only are due on September 3rd, 1981 at 12:00 noon PDT.

I have a change of address for Allen Wells.

1450 Worcester Rd., Apt. 8109, Framingham, MA 01701.
and now the vituperative press...

FROG KILLER to BLACK JACK: You are quite right and have my apologies. I had forgotten about your policy of short winter seasons. /O.K. and don't forget this one, it is short too.

FROG KILLER to FRANCE: What's this? I can't even attack England without you wondering about my intentions? Let me lay it on the line for you, I felt real vulnerable with only one piece guarding my three Scandinavian centers!

FROG KILLER to FRANCE (again): Congrats on your Pacificon win!

FROG KILLER to BIG RED: Ah, so much (I hope) for your anti-Russian conspiracy! So much for your terrorist activities in Rumania! So much for your with-holding of teddy-bares & bubble-gum from the Tsarist government!! I shall collect those teddy bares with my own bare hands even if a barely manage to survive in doing it! The Russian Bare shall vent his wrath!! I shall bare your hide and persnnally apply my vengeance in a most emBARE-ASS-ing way!!! PS: Want to ally?

FROG KILLER to SULTAN BOB: Glad to see you have kept (so far) to your bargain. Please continue or I will not share the teddy bares & bubble gum I am getting from Austria with you!

FROG KILLER to BLACK JACK: Krud told me that press I sent to R3 wasn't vituperative at all (sniff!)/What's Krud know about vituperative press??/

BLACK JACK to FROG KILLER: Thanks for the phone call in regard to the Leeder Poll results. Also congratulations on the 2nd place finish for Dot Happy.

EDINBURGH GAZETTE: IMPOSTER FLEES ENGLAND!!! (AP) reacting quickly to the news that an imposter was sitting on the throne of England, local authorities attempted to capture the pretender, known only as "Mister X". However, their attempts were futile as Mister X, one step ahead of the law, commandeered a local fishing vessel and set sail into the North Sea. It is rumored that he is heading for Germany where he will attempt to seize control of the German postal system. The German people will no doubt welcome him with open arms, as Kaiser Pilant, the local petty tyrant, ordered a cessation of mail delivery over three years ago.

LIVERPOOL TIMES: PLAGUE OF FROGS HITS SHIPYARDS!! (UPI) (reported via Yorkshire) All contact with the Liverpool shipyards was lost late last night, amid rumors that they had been inundated with a plague of frogs. Just before telephone service was cut off, a local official was heard to scream "the frogs! The frogs,

they're everywhere!" Police report the incident as under investigation.

ROBERT to MRS. WELLS: Dear Mrs. Wells, your son Allen was bad Mrs. Wells. He said that he would send me bubble-gum and a teddy bare if I would attack Turkey, but he did not send them and he attacked me too and I don't like Allen anymore because he's not nice so please spank Allen for me and tell him to be nice.

AUSTRIA to RUSSIA: It worked for you, maybe it will work for me. (Nothing else ever has).

OLSEN to BROWN and WELLS: Good grief, now we have two grand champions (sounds like a pair of prize poodles) in the game! I suppose I'm supposed to be impressed, overawed, intimidated. Well, I'll tell you, boys, you're not talking to just any old boob here now. I'll have you know I've won awards myself. You just happen to be talking to the 1980 "Jugular of the Year" I'll have you know!

OLSEN to BRUX: Is this what they mean by "the voice of doom"?

SERBIA: Hmmm, what have I found here in this bottle? (shake shake) Does the cap come off? (pop) Hmmm, looks like a little tiny person in here...why, Arnet-to, what are you doing in there, anyway? Here, let me get you out of there. (rumble rumble).

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80HR

WAR

summer '06

Delays over, firm deadline for F'06 is set.

The Canadian postal strike is over and this game can get underway once again. The new deadline for F'06 is set as September 3rd, 1981 at 12:00 PDT.

I have orders on file for Italy (Hanson), France (Pearson) and Turkey (Burnett). Of course you are welcome to send in revisions.

The New French player is: Al Pearson, Route 1, Box 177B5, Kearneysville, WV 25430.

A SEASON FOR GENERAL TURMOIL: Austria digs in; England spreads out; France, ...well, France has a few problems; Germany opens two fronts; Italy, well let's wait and see; Russia will have to reevaluate his position; and Turkey is able to consolidate his position with no real enemy in sight!

AUST (Quinn) A BUD(h); A VIE & A TRI(s) A Bud.
 ENGL (Arnott) F SWE(s) F Nwy; F NWY(s) F Swe; F Nwn-BAR;
 A PIC(s) GERMAN A Bur-Par; F Nth-ENG.
 FRAN (Beck) F Naf-MAO; F Wes-SPA(sc); A Par-BRE; A Mar-GAS.
 GERM (Stafford) A Ber-PRU; A Mun-SIL; A DEN-Swe; F Bel-HOL; A Bur-PAR; A Ruh-BUR.
 ITAL (F. 'Faithful Ally' Townsend) A Pie-MAR; A Tus-VEN;
 F ION(s) AUSTRIAN A Tri-Ser/imp & nso/; F TYR(s) F Ion.
 RUSS (Landon) A Stp-FIN; F GOB(s) A Stp-Fin; A War-LIV;
 A RUM-Bud; A GAL(s) A Rum-Bud.
 TURK (Stephens) F Gre-ALB; F AEG(c) A Con-Gre; A Con-GRE;
 F Smy-EAS; A SER(s) A Con-Gre; A BUL(s) A Ser;.

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 Fall 1903 orders will be due on Friday September 18th, 1981 at 12:00 noon PDT.

Press

ZURICH: The official betting odds for the year 1903 have been posted by Caesar's Alpine Palace. They were determined by Herr Von Martin, the acknowledged dean of the bookmakers. They are as follows:

AUSTRIA loses BUDAPEST	2 - 1
AUSTRIA Loses BUDAPEST & TRIESTE	8 - 1
FRANCE loses PARIS	2 - 1
FRANCE loses PARIS & BREST	7 - 1
ITALY allies w FRANCE vs E-G	5 - 2
ITALY allies w E-G vs FRANCE	4 - 1
ITALY allies with AUSTRIA vs TURKEY .	3 - 2
ITALY allies with no one	14 - 1
ENGLAND attacks RUSSIA	2 - 1
GERMANY attacks RUSSIA	2 - 1

ENGLAND & GERMANY attack RUSSIA	5 - 2
TURKEY attacks AUSTRIA	1 - 1
TURKEY Attacks RUSSIA	20 - 1
TURKEY attacks ENGLAND	300 - 1
GERMANY takes the BALTIC	500 - 1
GERMANY triesto take the BALTIC	10 - 1
FRANCE supports ENGLAND to BURGUNDY .	7 - 2

BLACK JACK to HERR VON MARTIN: You have been amazingly correct in your odds so far. How about giving us some predictions for the 1904 season?

BUDAPEST: The Kaiser anxiously awaited the monthly tabloid to which he had anonymously sent his first poem for publication. He felt it was a brilliant and concise history of his victories and his betrayal by the venomous Sultan Ben Ali Bel Yak-afar. At last it arrived! The monarch feverishly scanned the columns of print until ... there it is! Gleefully he read his poem aloud to himself.

A shriek of mortal pain brought the palace guards scurrying to their monarch's aid. When they entered his chamber the Kaiser was seen lying face down, kicking and beating the floor. The captain of the guard rushed to his side while the rest of the guard began searching for the assailant.

"My leige, are you stabbed? Poisoned?"

Sobbing, the Monarch replied, "My poetic debut is ruined by a typo! The Turk is a heathenu not a heatheru".

MOSCOW to BUDAPEST: What did you say? The Hapsburgs bought what? Since when has this Russian been stopped?

PARIS to LONDON: One of these days we are going to actually coordinate a move and the whole board is going to go into shock! I can't believe you would really pick the German over an alliance with France. Being the French lieutenants woman and the power behind the throne, I beg you to reconsider!

ITALY to BLACK JACK: Jane Proskin called again regarding 1981XX where she is England and I'm France. She has offered to support my fleet into the channel. Is this a good move? //Sure it is a good move, Jane is full of good moves--but it is a lousy strategy!//

TURKEY to WORLD: Since everyone seems so curious, I'll go ahead and tell you, OK? My enemy is Germany because he never writes. Now is everybody happy?

RUSSIA to GERMANY: I trust we are in agreement.

RUSSIA to ENGLAND: Now we will see who can outguess who.
By the way, you might want to turn around every now and then. You know, just to be sure.

PARIS to CONSTANTINOPLE: Is this a new aspect of the eternal triangle, Dip style or what? Did we all miss something? You must have some line! Now I'm glad I didn't get to write anyone last turn, I probably would have wound up supporting Turkey too!

CONSTANTINOPLE: Special French correspondent, Hassen Ben Laid, has reported troops of both Germany and England have forced their way into the belly of France. He reports the armies have been looting and raping, not necessarily in that order. Top French officials are now steaming back to France from their vacation along the African coast.

PARIS to MUNICH: I wish you'd go back to NMR'ing!! Our people no longer laugh and drink wine and love. They're spending all their time practicing "gutteral" accents! You're taking the fun out of being French!

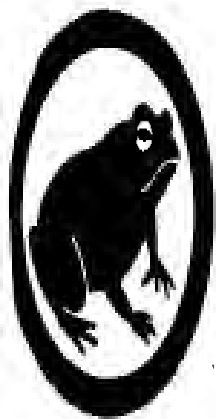
PARIS to ROME: Hi! Can you take a joke?

ALBANIA: Admiral Pulov wept as the last of his fleet was scuttled to prevent it from being captured by Turks. As he watched the last ship sink beneath the waves a messenger arrived with orders from his Kaiser. As he read, his jaw went slack, his eyes bugged out and his face went ashen pale. An aide caught him in his swoon and gently lowered him to the ground. The Kaiser had transferred him to the cavalry, not knowing that the Admiral was deathly afraid of horses. When he was eight years old, he had been thrown and trampled by a Turkish pony.

BS to BJ: If I write more press for GREED, will you be my friend in '80KZ?

BJ to BS: I'd like to be your friend in '80KZ, Greed press or no Greed press. Especially of course if you evacuate Galicia (to the north, west or south). Seriously, we can still work together in '80KZ and blitz the board. How about it?

BJ to GREED: All in all, not a bad batch of press this time, and certainly as good as that in V.I.P. (do you read this Wells and Olsen?)



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Contains game results for:

- (X) 1980HR "War"
- () 1980HS "Famine"
- () 1980HU "Pestilence"
- () 1980ID "Death"
- (X) 1980KJ "V.I.P."
- (X) 1981K "Greed"
- () 1981__ "Lust"
- () 1981__ "Diplomacy"